

Thursday

Dear Marty,

Sorry I couldn't reply sooner.

Enclosed is the first of the story summaries. Unfortunately, it takes quite a while to piece together some, hence I have been slow and incomplete. I'll send the others along as rapidly as I can.

I really believe that with a little work I can get a hot story out of beryllium, and yet one simple enough for the average reader to understand. I don't want to take the time it would require unless I know that you ^{there is a chance} will be interested in the event it pans out as I am convinced it will.

Had a tough break last week. Based on some of the stuff I showed you several weeks ago I had a 1,000 word story sold for \$250.00. When I showed it to my lawyer he told me to expect a lot of trouble as a result of publication, even though the story was not libelous. There is a limit to the number of Congressional toes one can step on with safety. So I had to renege. And I worked for two straight days and nights to meet a deadline!

Until I spoke to Bob yesterday I spent my time looking for the kind of stories you suggested. Now I am looking for a couple of "exposes".

Thanks a lot for everything, Marty.

I just spoke to Sarah Bleiberg. Neither Izzy nor Carl were home, but she reports they are in good health. Carl is all better. I was sorry to hear from her that you or not so well. I hope the doctors fix you up real quick.

If they don't let me know and we'll organize a sick mens club for big and little men, or something.

Harold